

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAROLINA

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DOCKET NO. 2016-222-WS

Application of Kiawah Island Utility, Inc. for Adjustment of Rates and Charges and Modifications to Certain Terms and Conditions for the Provision of Water and Sewer Service

Kiawah Island Utility, Inc. (Kiawah or the Company) filed an Application for Adjustment of Rates and Charges and Modifications to Certain Terms and Conditions for the Provision of Water and Sewer Service with the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission). The Application was filed pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. §58-5-240 and 10 S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 103-712.4.A and 103-512.4.A. The Applicant requests approval of the monthly water and sewer service charges set forth in the rate schedules attached to the Application as Exhibit A, and the Company also requests approval of any and all fees and charges in these schedules. Additionally, pursuant to 10 S.C. Code Ann. 103-703 and 103-503, Kiawah proposes to modify certain non-recurring charges to include creation of a service fee for non-routine and non-emergency calls, creation of a charge for restoration of service after discontinuance of service for the purpose of not receiving monthly statements, and increases in its charges to restore service after disconnection, delinquent notification fee, and return check.

As justification for the relief requested in its Application, Kiawah states that it has been over four years since rates were increased, and the increase was based on Company financial information that is now more than six years old. In addition to the other reasons listed on page four of five of the Application, the Company states that it has made a substantial investment in the planning and construction of a second water supply line to St. John's Water Company to provide redundancy in its water supply, to equalize the current capacity of its water supply and to ensure reliability of service for its customers on Kiawah Island.

THE PROPOSED NEW RATES AND CHARGES ARE SET FORTH BELOW

Water Service Charges

	Current	Proposed
Base Facilities Charge		
5/8" meter	\$29.92	\$ 37.57/mo.
3/4" meter	\$44.89	\$ 56.37/mo.
1" meter	\$74.81	\$ 93.94/mo.
1.5" meter	\$149.62	\$187.88/mo.
2" meter	\$239.40	\$300.61/mo.
3" meter	\$523.68	\$657.58/mo.
4" meter	\$1,502.90	\$1,887.19/mo.

Base Facilities Charge for water service with meters larger than 4" shall be:

Maximum recommended meter capacity (gpm) x \$37.57 per mo.
20 gpm

Consumption Charge All up to 11,000 gal/mo.	\$3.53/1000 gal.	\$4.43/1000 gal.
Excess Consumption Charge #1 All over 11,000 gal/mo. and Up to 50, 000 gal/mo.	\$3.98/1000 gal.	\$5.00/1000 gal.
Excess Consumption Charge #1		

All over 50,000 gal/mo.	\$4.25/1000 gal.	\$5.34/1000 gal.
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Sewer Service Charges

	Current	Proposed
Base Facilities Charge		
5/8" water meter	\$22.86	\$28.71/mo.
3/4" water meter	\$34.29	\$43.06/mo.
1" water meter	\$57.15	\$71.76/mo.
1.5" water meter	\$114.29	\$143.51/mo.
2" water meter	\$182.87	\$229.63/mo.
3" water meter	\$400.03	\$502.32/mo.
4" water meter	\$1,236.78	\$1,553.02/mo.

Base Facilities Charge for sewer service where water service is through meters larger than 4" shall be:

Maximum recommended meter capacity (gpm) x \$28.71 per mo.

20 gpm

Consumption Charge based on Water Usage All up to 11,000 gal/mo.	\$0.60/1000 gal.	\$0.75/1000 gal.
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Commercial Service

For Commercial Water Service Base Facilities Charges, see Residential Service Water Base Facilities Charges

Water Service Consumption Charge	\$4.25/1000 gal. For all consumption	\$5.34/1000 gal. For all consumption
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For Commercial Sewer Service Base Facilities Charges, see Residential Service Sewer Base Facilities Charges

Sewer Service Consumption Charge based on Water Usage	\$2.34/1000 gal. For all consumption	\$2.94/1000 gal. For all consumption
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Water tap-in fee and sewer tap-in fee for water and sewer service where water meter is larger than 3" shall be:

Maximum recommended meter capacity (gpm) x \$500.00

20 gpm

Hotel and Motel Service

Water	Current	Proposed
Base Facilities Charge	\$12.02/mo./room	\$15.09/mo./room
All Consumption	\$4.25/1000 gal.	\$5.34/1000 gal.
Sewer		
Base Facilities Charge	\$9.14/mo./room	\$11.48/mo./room
All Consumption	\$2.34/1000 gal.	\$2.94/1000 gal.

Irrigation Service

For Irrigation Water Base Facilities Charges, see Residential Service Water Base Facilities Charges

Water	Current	Proposed
Consumption Charge All up to 50,000 gal/mo.	\$3.98/1000 gal.	\$5.00/1000 gal.
Excess Consumption Charge All over 50,000 gal/mo.	\$4.25/1000 gal.	\$5.34/1000 gal.

Fire Hydrant Service

Water	Current	Proposed
	\$117.75/hydrant	147.86/hydrant

When temporary water service from a hydrant is requested by a contractor or others, a meter will be installed and the charge will be:

\$8.00 for each day of use, Plus \$5.82/1000 gals for all water used, Plus a \$50.00 security deposit.

Golf Course Irrigation

Water	Current	Proposed
Effluent water will be bill at a rate of: Base Facilities Charge per Golf Course Consumption	\$3,795.53/mo. \$0.17/1000 gal.	\$4,766.05/mo. 0.21/1000 gal.
Deep well water will be bill at a rate of: Base Facilities Charge per Golf Course Consumption	\$929.79/mo. \$0.24/1000 gal.	\$1,167.54/mo. \$0.30/1000 gal.
Potable water will be billed at a rate of: Base Facilities Charge per Golf Course Consumption	\$711.51/mo. \$4.25/1000 gal.	\$893.44/mo. \$5.34/1000 gal.

Fire Line Service

Water	Current	Proposed
Basic Facilities Charge		
2" Line	\$7.08/mo.	\$8.89/mo.
3" Line	\$12.92/mo.	\$16.22/mo.
4" Line	\$22.40/mo.	\$28.13/mo.
6" Line	\$44.80/mo.	\$56.26/mo.

A copy of the company's complete application, as well as the proposed rates, charges and tariffs can be found on the Commission's website at www.psc.sc.gov under Docket No. 2016-222-WS. Additionally, a copy of the application is available from the office of Charles L. A. Terreni, Esquire, Terreni Law Firm, LLC and Scott Elliott, Esquire, Elliott & Elliott, P.A., 1508 Lady Street, Columbia, South Carolina 29201.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a hearing, pursuant to 10 S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 103-817, on the above matter has been scheduled to begin on **Tuesday, March 07, 2017, at 10:30 a.m.**, before the Commission in the Commission's Hearing Room at 101 Executive Center Drive, Saluda Building, Columbia, South Carolina 29210 for the purpose of receiving testimony and evidence from all interested parties. The hearing may continue through March 8, 2017, if necessary.

Any person who wishes to participate in this matter as a party of record should file a Petition to Intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure on or before **December 28, 2016**, by filing the Petition to Intervene with the Commission, by providing a copy to the Office of Regulatory Staff and by providing a copy to all parties of record. For the receipt of future Commission correspondence, please include an email address in the Petition to Intervene. *Please refer to Docket No. 2016-222-WS and*

mail a copy to all other parties in this docket. Any person who seeks to intervene and who wishes to testify and present evidence at the hearing should notify, in writing, the Commission; the Office of Regulatory Staff at 1401 Main Street, Suite 900, Columbia, South Carolina 29201; and the company at the above address, on or before **December 28, 2016**. ***Please refer to Docket No. 2016-222-WS.***

INSTRUCTIONS TO ALL PARTIES OF RECORD (Applicant, Petitioners, and Intervenors only): All Parties of Record must prefile testimony with the Commission and with all Parties of Record. Prefiled Testimony Deadlines: Applicant's **Direct Testimony** Due: **1/31/2017**; Other Parties of Record **Direct Testimony** Due: **2/14/2017**; Applicant's **Rebuttal Testimony** Due: **2/21/2017**; and Other Parties of Record **Surrebuttal Testimony** Due: **2/28/2017**. All prefiled testimony deadlines are subject to the information as posted on www.psc.sc.gov under ***Docket No. 2016-222-WS.***

Any person who wishes to request that the Commission hold a public hearing in his or her county of residence in order to hear comments from the utility's customers, should notify, in writing, the Commission; the Office of Regulatory Staff at 1401 Main Street, Suite 900, Columbia, South Carolina 29201; and the company at the above address, on or before **December 28, 2016**. ***Please refer to Docket No. 2016-222-WS.***

For the most recent information regarding this docket, including changes in scheduled dates included in this Notice, please refer to www.psc.sc.gov and ***Docket No. 2016-222-WS.***

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that any person who wishes to have his or her comments considered as part of the official record of this proceeding **MUST** present such comments in person to the Commission during the hearing.

Persons seeking information about the Commission's procedures should contact the Commission at (803) 896-5100 or visit its website at www.psc.sc.gov.

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